Level 1 Threat Invasive and Other Problematic Species, Genes and Diseases

Level 2 Threat: Invasive Non-native-Alien Species-Diseases

Description: Harmful plants, animals, pathogens and other microbes not originally found within the ecosystem(s) in question

and directly or indirectly introduced and spread into it by human activities

Species Associated With This Stressor:

Class

Actinopterygii (Ray-finned Fishes)

SGCN Category

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Total SGCN: 1: 25 2: 39

Species: Alosa pseudoharengus (Alewife)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity **Actionability:** Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Effect of invasives largely unknown but might have effect on specific populations (Kennebec). The

ability, likelihood, and certainty to mitigate invasives is low.

Species: Anguilla rostrata (American Eel)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Parasitic nematode infection of swim bladder that affects swimming ability and digestion, hence makes infected individual vulnerable to predation and starvation. Infection rates are high once nematode

infests a new area. Parasite is native to southeast Asia. Documented in mid-Atlantic states to NY.

Population risks largely unknown.

Species: Alosa sapidissima (American Shad)

1

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Effect of invasives largely unknown but might have effect on specific populations (Kennebec). The

ability, likelihood, and certainty to mitigate invasives is low.

Species: Salvelinus alpinus oquassa (Arctic Charr)

1

Severity: Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Probably the number one threat to char in Maine. Charr compete poorly with certain other fishes and

illegal fish introductions is a serious concern.

Species: Salmo salar (Atlantic Salmon)

1

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Invasive species can have detrimental effects on native species. The ability, likelihood, and certainty to

mitigate invasive species is case dependent. In some cases, we can stop the intentional introduction of non-native fish species . In the case of established invasive species, often we can only mitigate the impact. Invasive fish species hamper our efforts to increase connectivity since establishing passage at

migration barriers (i.e. dams) can facilitate the spread of invasive.

Species: Acipenser oxyrinchus (Atlantic Sturgeon)

1

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Effect of invasives largely unknown but might have effect on specific populations (Kennebec). The

ability, likelihood, and certainty to mitigate invasives is low.

Species: Alosa aestivalis (Blueback Herring)

1

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Effect of invasives largely unknown but might have effect on specific populations (Kennebec). The

ability, likelihood, and certainty to mitigate invasives is low.

Species: Notropis bifrenatus (Bridle Shiner)

2

Severity: Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: A poor competitor with large, predatory invasive fishes (PIK, black basses, etc). Once predatory invasive

Sp established, it is very difficult to eradicate from typical BDS habitats. Also, invasive plants may

detrimentally affect preferred vegetation for BDS.

Species: Coregonus clupeaformis (Lake Whitefish)

2

Severity: Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Poor competitors with large predatory fishes. MUS, PIK, Black basses primarily

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Class	Actir	opterygii (Ray-finned Fi	ishes)		SGCN Category
	Species: Osmerus mordax			,		1
	•	Moderate Sev		Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	-
	•			•	nave effect on specific populations (Keni	nebec). The
		ability, likelih	ood, and certain	ty to mitigate inv	asives is low.	
	Species: Esox americanus	americanus (F	Redfin Pickerel)			2
	Severity:			•	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	•	competitors wit RPK population.	h large predatory	fishes. Carp degrade vegetation and ph	nysical habitat of
	Species: Prosopium cylind	raceum (Roun	ıd Whitefish)			2
	Severity:	Severe		Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	Poor competi	tors with large p	redatory fishes.	MUS, PIK and black basses primarily.	
	Species: Acipenser breviro	strum (Shortn	ose Sturgeon)			1
	Severity:	Moderate Sev	verity	Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:			nown but might h ty to mitigate inv	nave effect on specific populations (Kenrasives is low.	nebec). The
	Species: Morone saxatilis	(Striped Bass)				2
	Severity:	Moderate Sev	verity	Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:			nown but might h ty to mitigate inv	nave effect on specific populations (Kenrasives is low.	nebec). The
	Species: Etheostoma fusif	orme (Swamp	Darter)			2
	Severity:	Severe		Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	Poor competi	itors with large p	redatory fishes.		
Class	Anth	<i>ozoa</i> (Cora	ls, Sea Pens, S	Sea Fans, Sea	Anemones)	SGCN Category
	Species: Gersemia rubifor	mis (Sea Straw	vberry)			2
	Severity:	Moderate Sev	verity	Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	habitat and h	ave other effects		(Didemnum vexillum) could decrease avn at this time. Likelihood is high and larg	•
Class	Aste	roidea (Sea	Stars)			SGCN Category
	Species: Asterias rubens (Common Sea S	Star)			2
	Severity:	Moderate Sev	verity	Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	star prey, hab	oitat and have ot		(Didemnum vexillum) could decrease av y unknown at this time. Likelihood is hig	•
	Species: Crossaster pappo	sus (Common	Sun Star)			2
	Severity:	Moderate Sev	verity	Actionability:	Actionable with difficulty	
	Notes:	star prey, hab	oitat and have ot		(Didemnum vexillum) could decrease av y unknown at this time. Likelihood is hig	•
		(timoughout t	ine region,, so at	ctionability is low		

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Class	. Aste	oidea (Sea Stars)	SGCN Category
	Species: Asterias forbesi	Forbes's Starfish)	2
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable	e with difficulty
	Notes:	Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnur star prey, habitat and have other effects largely unknown (throughout the region), so actionability is low.	·
	Species: Solaster endeca	Purple Sunstar)	2
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable	e with difficulty
	Notes:	Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnur star prey, habitat and have other effects largely unknown (throughout the region), so actionability is low.	
	Species: Stephanasterias	<i>lbula</i> (White Sea Star)	2
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable	e with difficulty
	Notes:	Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnur star prey, habitat, and have other effects largely unknow (throughout the region), so actionability is low.	
Class	S Aves	(Birds)	SGCN Category
	Species: Sterna paradisae	(Arctic Tern)	1
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderate	ly actionable
	Notes:	Invasive plants impacting nesting habitat	
	Species: Chlidonias niger	Black Tern)	2
	•	Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderate	
		Purple loosestrife and Phragmites spp. can displace prefe nesting.	rred native emergent vegetation used for
	Species: Gallinula galeata		2
	•	Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderate	
	Notes:	Purple loosestrife and Phragmites spp. Can displace prefenesting.	rred native emergent vegetation used for
	Species: Sterna hirundo (ommon Tern)	2
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderate	ly actionable
	Notes:	Invasive plants impacting nesting habitat	
	Species: Ixobrychus exilis	Least Bittern)	1
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderate	ly actionable
	Notes:	Purple loosestrife and Phragmites spp. can displace prefenesting.	rred native emergent vegatation used for
	Species: Sternula antillaru	<i>m</i> (Least Tern)	1
	•	Moderate Severity Actionability: Highly act	
	Notes:	Predaton issues from non native predators such as red for control.	x can be reversible with intensive predator
	Species: Ammodramus ne	soni (Nelson's Sparrow)	2
	Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Highly act	ionable
	Notes:	Green Crab	

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Class Ave	es (Birds)	SGCN Category
Species: Charadrius melo	odus (Piping Plover)	1
Severity	r: Moderate Severity Actionability: Highly actionable	
Notes	: Includes non native predators such as red fox. Intensive predator control can reverse	impacts.
Species: Sterna dougallii	(Roseate Tern)	1
Severity	: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable	
	: Invasive plants impacting nesting habitat	
•	audacutus (Saltmarsh Sparrow)	1
•	r: Moderate Severity Actionability: Highly actionable	
Notes	: Green Crab, Phragmites, periwinkles?	
Class Bive	alvia (Marine And Freshwater Molluscs)	SGCN Category
Species: Zirfaea crispata	(Atlantic Great Piddock)	2
Severity	r: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes	: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.	e. Likelihood is
Species: Alasmidonta va	ricosa (Brook Floater)	1
Severity	: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable	
Notes	: Zebra mussel and Asian clam are potential threats - not yet documented in Maine bu other New England states; prevention/outreach programs could be increased but on would likely be irreversible; invasive aquatic plants can alter/degrade habitat	•
Species: Leptodea ochra	cea (Tidewater Mucket)	1
Severity	: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable	
Notes	: Zebra mussel and Asian clam are potential threats - not yet documented in Maine bu other New England states; prevention/outreach programs could be increased but one would likely be irreversible; invasive aquatic plants can alter/degrade habitat	
Species: Lampsilis carios	a (Yellow Lampmussel)	1
Severity	r: Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable	
Notes	: Zebra mussel and Asian clam are potential threats - not yet documented in Maine bu other New England states; prevention/outreach programs could be increased but one would likely be irreversible; invasive aquatic plants can alter/degrade habitat	•
Class Ech	inoidea (Sea Urchins)	SGCN Category
Species: Strongylocentro	otus droebachiensis (Green Sea Urchin)	2
Severity	: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	
Notes	: Invasive algae (Codium fragile) and tunicates (Didemnum sp) have colonized sea urch regions. This threat is poorly understood (low certainty), but the threat and its effect in some areas (patchy spatially).	
Class Gas	stropoda (Aquatic And Terrestrial Snails)	SGCN Category
Species: Arrhoges occide	entalis (American Pelican Foot)	2
Severity	: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty	

Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is

high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.

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Class Gastropoda (Aquatic And Terrestrial Snails)

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Species: Stagnicola mighelsi (Bigmouth Pondsnail)

Actionability: Moderately actionable

Notes: Introduction of non-native snails or aquatic vegetation may have harmful effects but not well

understood at present

Species: Boreotrophon clathratus (Clathrate Trophon)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is

high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Colus pygmaeus (Colus Snail)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is

high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Boreotrophon truncatus (Murex)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is

high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Ptychatractus ligatus (Spindle Shell)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity **Actionability:** Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is

high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Class Holothuroidea (Sea Cucumbers)

SGCN Category
2

Species: Cucumaria frondosa (Orange-footed Sea Cucumber)

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of

habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale

(throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Psolus fabricii (Psolus)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of

habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale

(throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Psolus phantapus (Psolus)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity

Actionability: Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of

habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale

(throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Species: Thyonidium drummondii (Sea Cucumber)

2

Severity: Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty

Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of

habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale

(throughout the region), so actionability is low.

Class Insecta (Insects)

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Class Insec	ta (Insects)	SGCN Categor	
Species: Bombus pensylva	nicus (American Bumble Bee)	2	
Severity:	Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Introduced pathogens, parasites/diseases from imported commercial Bor likely irreversible, but future impacts potentially could be minimized/prevplants?		
Species: Bombus ashtoni	2		
Severity:	Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Introduced pathogens, parasites/diseases from imported commercial Bor likely irreversible, but future impacts potentially could be minimized/prevplants?	The state of the s	
Species: Erora laeta (Early	Hairstreak)	2	
Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Beech bark disease (a scale insect and fungal infection)		
Species: Bombus insularis	(Indiscriminate Cuckoo Bumble Bee)	2	
Severity:	Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Introduced pathogens, parasites/diseases from imported commercial Bor likely irreversible, but future impacts potentially could be minimized/prevplants?		
Species: Citheronia sepulc	ralis (Pine Devil)	2	
Severity:	Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Extirpated from most of Northeast in mid 20th century primarily from DD introductions	T and Compsilura	
Species: Bombus affinis (Species: Bombus affinis (Rusty-patched Bumble Bee)		
Severity:	Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Introduced pathogens, parasites/diseases from imported commercial Bor likely irreversible, but future impacts potentially could be minimized/prevplants?		
class <i>Mala</i>	costraca (Crustaceans)	SGCN Catego	
Species: Pandalus borealis	(Northern Shrimp)	1	
Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Invasives could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is hi the region), so actionability is low.	gh and large scale (throughou	
Species: Lebbeus polaris	2		
Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Invasives could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is hi the region), so actionability is low.	gh and large scale (throughou	
Species: Lebbeus groenlar	dicus (Spiny Lebbeid Shrimp)	2	
Severity:	Moderate Severity Actionable with difficulty		
Notes:	Invasives could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is hi	gh and large scale (throughou	
	the region), so actionability is low.		

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Class Mammalia (Mammals) **SGCN Category** Species: Myotis leibii (Eastern Small-footed Myotis) Severity: Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty Notes: WNS will remain active in the soil for a long time; however, progress is being made in coming up with ways to disinfect hibernacula Species: Myotis lucifugus (Little Brown Bat) 1 Severity: Severe **Actionability:** Actionable with difficulty Notes: WNS may extirpate the LBB in the east; there is some evidence that a disinfectant may work in hibernacula; there is also some indication that some LBB may not be as susceptible to WNS as other individuals. Species: Myotis septentrionalis (Northern Long-eared Myotis) 1 **Severity:** Severe Actionability: Actionable with difficulty Notes: White-nose syndrome (WNS) is a fungal disease that has caused the preceptious decline in most cave hibernating bat species in the eastern half of the US. Species: Perimyotis subflavus (Tri-colored Bat) 2 Actionability: Actionable with difficulty Severity: Severe Notes: Losses to white nose syndrome have occurred elsewhere but numbers of tri-cologred bats in Maine hibernacula are so low that the problem is not well documented here., but any mortalities are a concern given the marginal status of this species. Class **SGCN Category** Merostomata (Horseshoe Crabs And Sea Scorpions) Species: Limulus polyphemus (Horseshoe Crab) 1 Severity: Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty Notes: Invasive non-native and alien diseases could have effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low. Class Ophiuroidea (Brittle Stars) **SGCN Category** Species: Gorgonocephalus arcticus (Northern Basket Starfish) 2 **Severity:** Moderate Severity Actionability: Actionable with difficulty Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale (throughout the region), so actionability is low. Class **SGCN Category** Reptilia (Reptiles) Species: Emydoidea blandingii (Blanding's Turtle) 1 **Severity:** Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable **Notes:** Invasive wetland plants that dominate or form monocultures Species: Clemmys guttata (Spotted Turtle) **Severity:** Moderate Severity Actionability: Moderately actionable Notes: Invasive wetland plants that dominate or form monocultures Class **SGCN Category** Rhynchonellata (Brachiopods) Species: Terebratulina septentrionalis (Lamp Shell) 2 Actionability: Actionable with difficulty **Severity:** Moderate Severity

> Notes: Invasives such as encrusting colonial tunicates (Didemnum vexillum) could decrease availability of habitat and have other effects largely unknown at this time. Likelihood is high and large scale

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Habitats Associated With This Stressor:

Macrogroup Central Hardwood Swamp

Habitat System Name: North-Central Interior Wet Flatwoods

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Macrogroup Central Oak-Pine

Habitat System Name: Central Appalachian Dry Oak-Pine Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Habitat System Name: Central Appalachian Pine-Oak Rocky Woodland

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Habitat System Name: North Atlantic Coastal Plain Hardwood Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Habitat System Name: North Atlantic Coastal Plain Maritime Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Habitat System Name: Northeastern Interior Pine Barrens

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.)

Macrogroup Cliff and Talus

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Acidic Cliff and Talus

Notes: white nosed bat syndrome in hibernacula

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Calcareous Cliff and Talus

Notes: white nosed bat syndrome in hibernacula

Habitat System Name: North-Central Appalachian Acidic Cliff and Talus

Notes: white nosed bat syndrome in hibernacula

Habitat System Name: North-Central Appalachian Circumneutral Cliff and Talus

Notes: white nosed bat syndrome in hibernacula

Macrogroup Coastal Grassland & Shrubland

Habitat System Name: Northern Atlantic Coastal Plain Dune and Maritime Grassland

Notes: Rosa rugosa, Lepidium latifolium, cats, dogs etc.

Habitat System Name: Northern Atlantic Coastal Plain Sandy Beach

Notes: Rosa rugosa, Lepidium latifolium, cats, dogs etc.

Macrogroup Coastal Plain Peat Swamp

Habitat System Name: North Atlantic Coastal Plain Basin Peat Swamp

Notes: Invasive plants not currently a major problem but could be in the future

Macrogroup Emergent Marsh

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Freshwater Marsh

Notes: Purple loosestrife, others. Problem is larger in southern Maine

Macrogroup Glade, Barren and Savanna

Habitat System Name: Central Appalachian Alkaline Glade and Woodland

Notes: Invasive upland plants (buckthorn, honeysuckle)

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Macrogroup Intertidal Bedrock

Habitat System Name: High Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Habitat System Name: Low-Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Habitat System Name: Mid-Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Macrogroup Intertidal Gravel Shore

Habitat System Name: High Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Habitat System Name: Lower Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Habitat System Name: Mid-Intertidal

Notes: e.g. Green crab appears to be a voracious predator in this habitat; encrusting invasive tunicates are also likely common

and disruptive to the natural community

Macrogroup Intertidal Mollusc Reefs

Habitat System Name: Gastropod Reef

Notes: e.g. Green crabs

Habitat System Name: Mussel Reef

Notes: e.g. Green crabs

Habitat System Name: Oyster Reef

Notes: e.g. Green crabs

Macrogroup Intertidal Mudflat

Habitat System Name: Freshwater Tidal Marsh

Notes: E.g. Green crabs appear to be a voracious predator that preys on some native species in the mudflats; soft shell clam

cancer

Habitat System Name: Non-Vascular Mudflat

Notes: E.g. Green crabs appear to be a voracious predator that preys on some native species in the mudflats; soft shell clam

cancer

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Notes: E.g. Green crabs appear to be a voracious predator that preys on some native species in the mudflats; soft shell clam

cancer

Macrogroup Intertidal Sandy Shore

Habitat System Name: Sand Beach

Notes: e.g. Heterosiphonia japonica is an invasive alga that lets off noxious fumes when it dries and can lead to the closing of

beaches; an emerging issue in Maine

Habitat System Name: Sand Flat

Notes: e.g. Heterosiphonia japonica is an invasive alga that lets off noxious fumes when it dries and can lead to the closing of

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Macrogroup Intertidal Sandy Shore

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Notes: e.g. Heterosiphonia japonica is an invasive alga that lets off noxious fumes when it dries and can lead to the closing of

beaches; an emerging issue in Maine

Macrogroup Intertidal Tidal Marsh (peat-forming)

Habitat System Name: Acadian Coastal Salt Marsh

Notes: Invasive plants (Phragmites), green crabs, non native predators (pets)

Habitat System Name: Coastal Plain Tidal Marsh

Notes: Invasive plants (Phragmites), green crabs, non native predators (pets)

Macrogroup Intertidal Water Column

Habitat System Name: Confined Channel

Notes: Invasive species populations can disrupt natural community and lead to ecosystem changes

Habitat System Name: Embayment

Notes: Invasive species populations can disrupt natural community and lead to ecosystem changes

Habitat System Name: Exposed Shore

Notes: Invasive species populations can disrupt natural community and lead to ecosystem changes

Macrogroup Lakes and Ponds

Habitat System Name: Eutrophic

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Mesotrophic or Intermediate

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Oligotrophic

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Vernal Pool

Notes: Non-native plants, primarily in southern Maine

Macrogroup Northeastern Floodplain Forest

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Floodplain Systems

Notes: Many invasive plants are a problem in this forest type; problem is worse in southern ME

Macrogroup Northern Hardwood & Conifer

Habitat System Name: Appalachian (Hemlock)-Northern Hardwood Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.); invasive plants generally worse in southern ME;

spraying Bt may negatively impact some native Lepidoptera in spruce-fir forests

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Northern Hardwoods Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.); invasive plants generally worse in southern ME;

spraying Bt may negatively impact some native Lepidoptera in spruce-fir forests

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Pine-Hemlock-Hardwood Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.); invasive plants generally worse in southern ME;

spraying Bt may negatively impact some native Lepidoptera in spruce-fir forests

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Red Oak-Northern Hardwood Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.); invasive plants generally worse in southern ME;

spraying Bt may negatively impact some native Lepidoptera in spruce-fir forests

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Macrogroup Northern Hardwood & Conifer

Habitat System Name: Northeastern Coastal and Interior Pine-Oak Forest

Notes: Invasive plants & insects (gypsy moth, EAB, Asian Longhorn beetle, etc.); invasive plants generally worse in southern ME;

spraying Bt may negatively impact some native Lepidoptera in spruce-fir forests

Macrogroup Northern Swamp

Habitat System Name: Acadian-Appalachian Conifer Seepage Forest

Notes: If introduced the Emerald Ash Borer poses a significant risk to Brown Ash in this type

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Alkaline Conifer-Hardwood Swamp

Notes: If introduced the Emerald Ash Borer poses a significant risk to Brown Ash in this type

Habitat System Name: North-Central Appalachian Acidic Swamp

Notes: If introduced the Emerald Ash Borer poses a significant risk to Brown Ash in this type

Habitat System Name: North-Central Interior and Appalachian Rich Swamp

Notes: If introduced the Emerald Ash Borer poses a significant risk to Brown Ash in this type

Habitat System Name: Northern Appalachian-Acadian Conifer-Hardwood Acidic Swamp

Notes: If introduced the Emerald Ash Borer poses a significant risk to Brown Ash in this type

Macrogroup Rivers and Streams

Habitat System Name: Large River

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Medium River

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Small River

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Habitat System Name: Small River

Notes: Non-native fish introductions

Macrogroup Rocky Coast

Habitat System Name: Acadian-North Atlantic Rocky Coast

Notes: Invasive plants, green crabs (see MARINE habitats)

Habitat System Name: North Atlantic Cobble Shore

Notes: Invasive plants, green crabs (see MARINE habitats)

Macrogroup Subtidal Bedrock Bottom

Habitat System Name: Bedrock

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

Habitat System Name: Erect Epifauna

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

Habitat System Name: Kelp Bed

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

Macrogroup Subtidal Coarse Gravel Bottom

Habitat System Name: Coarse Gravel

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

Habitat System Name: Erect Epifauna

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

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Macrogroup Subtidal Coarse Gravel Bottom

Habitat System Name: Kelp Bed

Notes: E.g. green crabs, lobster shell disease

Macrogroup Subtidal Mollusc Reefs

Habitat System Name: Gastropod Reef

Notes: Invasive green crabs and other invasive species

Habitat System Name: Mussel Reef

Notes: Invasive green crabs and other invasive species

Habitat System Name: Oyster Reef

Notes: Invasive green crabs and other invasive species

Macrogroup Subtidal Mud Bottom

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Habitat System Name: Unvegetated

Macrogroup Subtidal Pelagic (Water Column)

Habitat System Name: Confined Channel

Notes: Tropical species are appearing in Gulf of Maine waters, with unknown impacts

Habitat System Name: Nearshore

Notes: Tropical species are appearing in Gulf of Maine waters, with unknown impacts

Habitat System Name: Offshore

Notes: Tropical species are appearing in Gulf of Maine waters, with unknown impacts

Habitat System Name: Upwelling Zones

Notes: Tropical species are appearing in Gulf of Maine waters, with unknown impacts

Macrogroup Subtidal Sand Bottom

Habitat System Name: Submerged Aquatic Vegetation

Habitat System Name: Unvegetated

Macrogroup Wet Meadow-Shrub Marsh

Habitat System Name: Introduced Wetland and Riparian Vegetation

Notes: Stressor is much lower in northern Maine

Habitat System Name: Laurentian-Acadian Wet Meadow-Shrub Swamp

Notes: Stressor is much lower in northern Maine

Level 1 Threat Invasive and Other Problematic Species, Genes and Diseases

Level 2 Threat: Invasive Non-native-Alien Species-Diseases

The Wildlife Action Plan was developed through a lengthy participatory process with state agencies, targeted conservation partners, and the general public. The Plan is non-regulatory. The species, stressors, and voluntary conservation actions identified in the Plan complement, but do not replace, existing work programs and priorities by state agencies and partners.

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